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THE ORIGINAL X-MEN--MARVEL GIRL, CYCLOPS, ICEMAN, ANGEL AND BEAST--WERE DISPLACED IN TIME AND BROUGHT TO OUR PRESENT. UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF THEIR FORMER ARCHENEMY AND NOW ALLY, MAGNETO, AND JOINED BY JIMMY HUDSON, THE SON OF A WOLVERINE FROM AN ALTERNATE UNIVERSE, THEY WILL SHOW THE WORLD THAT THEY ARE THE HEROES THEY WERE ALWAYS MEANT TO BE.

PREVIOUSLY IN **X-MEN BLUE...**

A RARE BREAK BETWEEN MISSIONS ALLOWED THE X-MEN TO STRENGTHEN THEIR TEAM BONDS. BUT AS SCOTT AND JEAN EXPLORED THEIR NEW PSYCHIC CONNECTION, AND JIMMY AND ANGEL INVESTIGATED JIMMY'S MYSTERIOUS CONNECTION TO MISS SINISTER, HANK'S INSECURITY CONTINUED TO EAT AWAY AT HIM.

TRAPPED IN A TIME WHERE SCIENTIFIC ADVANCEMENTS HAVE OUTPACED HIM, HANK McCOY HAS INSTEAD DEVOTED HIMSELF TO THE DARK ARTS--HIS MYSTERIOUS BENEFactor IN THIS SKILL WAS REVEALED AS NONE OTHER THAN THE GOBLIN QUEEN! WHO, IN HER FINAL LESSON, USED HANK TO BRING HER HEX-MEN INTO THIS UNIVERSE--AND TRANSFORMED HANK INTO A HORNEDED, WHITE-FURRED, MINDLESS MONSTER.

BUT WHO ARE THE HEX-MEN? AND WHAT DOES THE GOBLIN QUEEN REALLY WANT?

TOIL AND TROUBLE

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JIMMY HUDSON

ONCE UPON A TIME,
I WAS KNOWN BY A
DIFFERENT NAME.

I WAS CALLED
MADELYNE PRYOR.



SUCH A WEAK,
HUMAN NAME.

IT LEAVES A
RANCID TASTE
ON THE TONGUE.

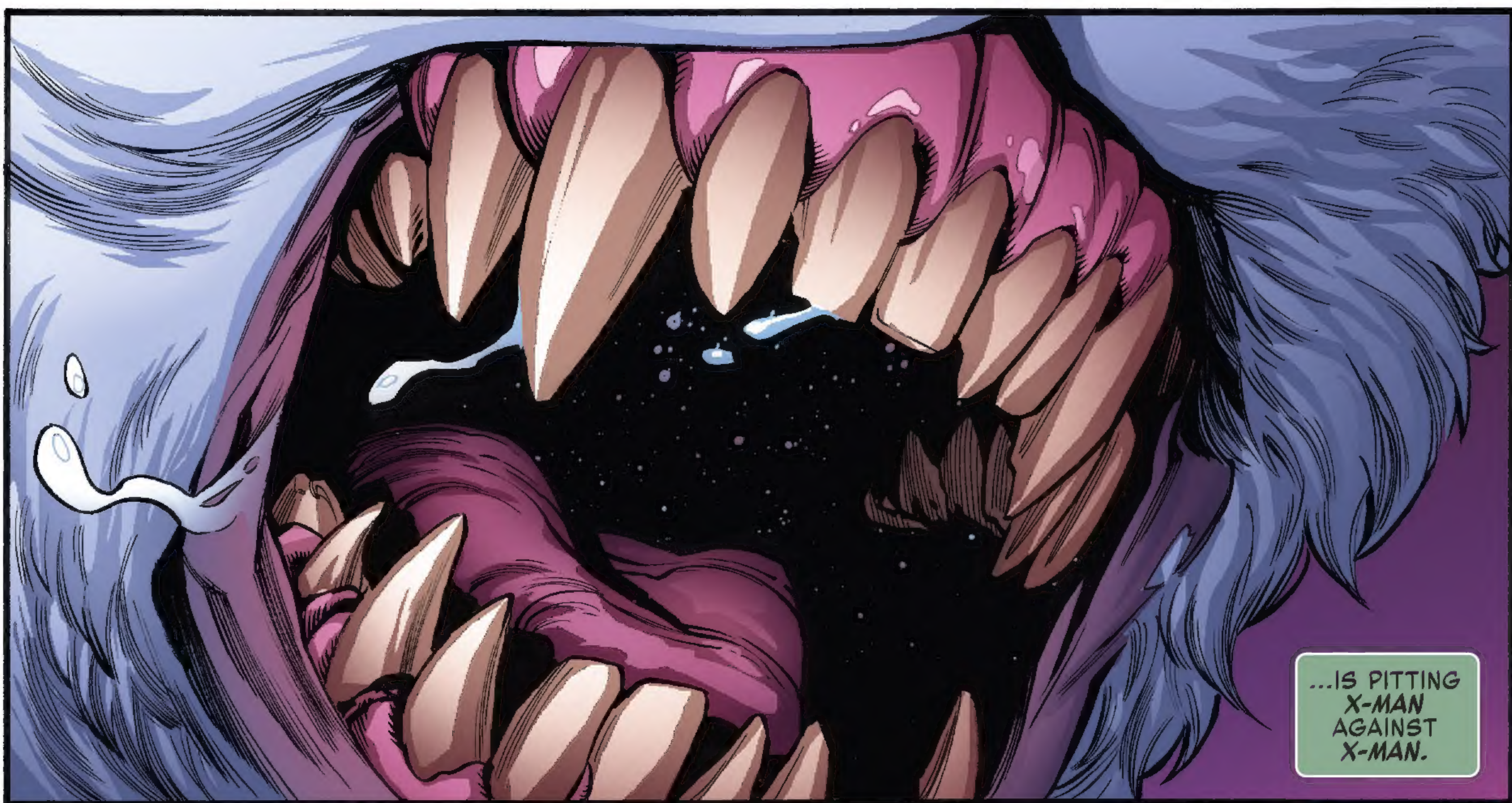


NOW, THOUGH,
I AM THE
GOBLIN QUEEN.



I DO BAD
THINGS AND
I LIKE IT.

AND TODAY,
THE VERY
BAD THING
I'M DOING...



...IS PITTING
X-MAN
AGAINST
X-MAN.

**MADRIDPOOR.
THE X-MANSION.**

IT'S A FUN
GIG IF YOU
CAN GET IT...

...BUT IT'S A VERY
COMPETITIVE FIELD.

KILL THEM,
HEX-MEN!

BUT SAVE
AS MUCH OF
THEIR BLOOD AS
YOU CAN!

I PLAN ON
REPAINTING
THE MANSION'S
MASTER SUITE.

GGRRRRR

I'M SORRY
ABOUT THIS,
HANK!



BUT--REALLY--
YOU BROUGHT IT
ON YOURSELF!

SHRAAK



SCOTT!

I CAN'T
SLOW EDGAR
RICE BURROUGHS
COLOSSUS
DOWN!



AHH!

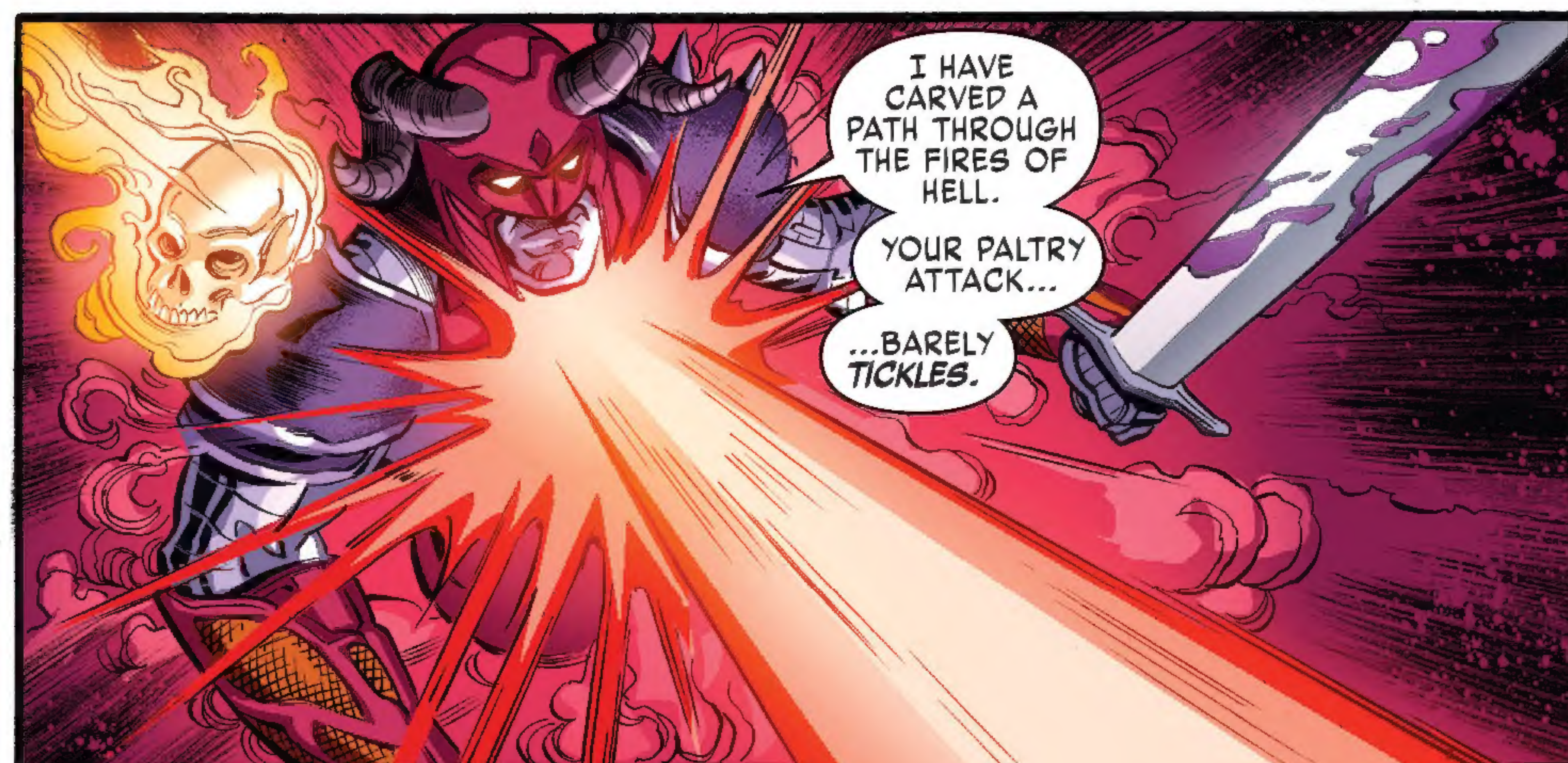
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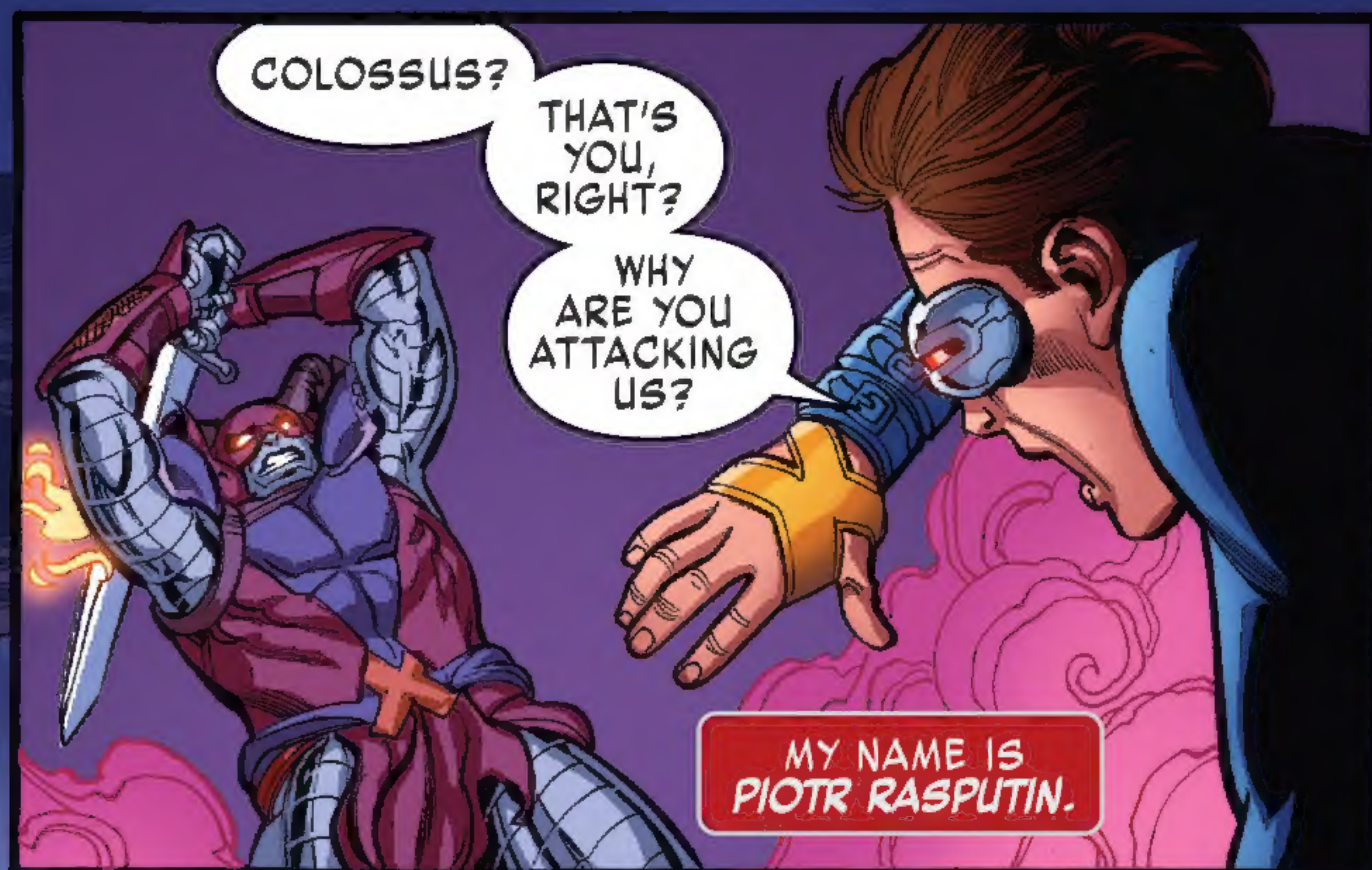


SHRAKKOW



I HAVE
CARVED A
PATH THROUGH
THE FIRES OF
HELL.
YOUR PALTRY
ATTACK...
...BARELY
TICKLES.

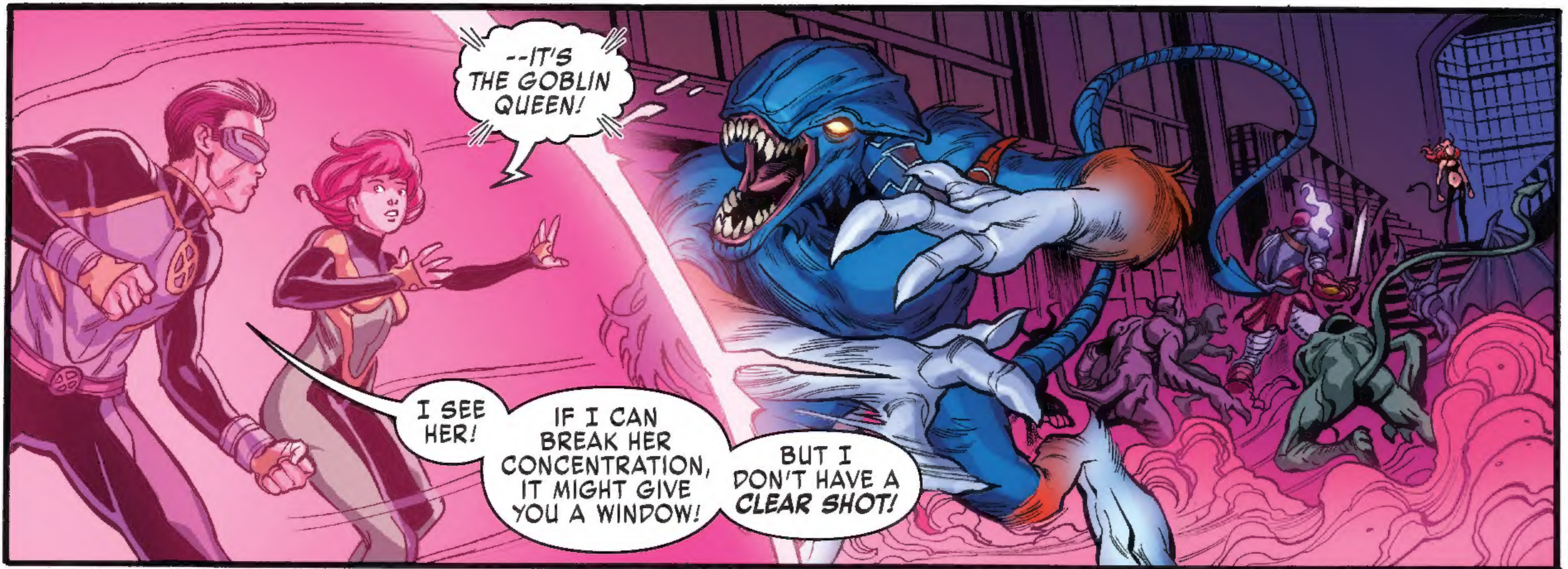


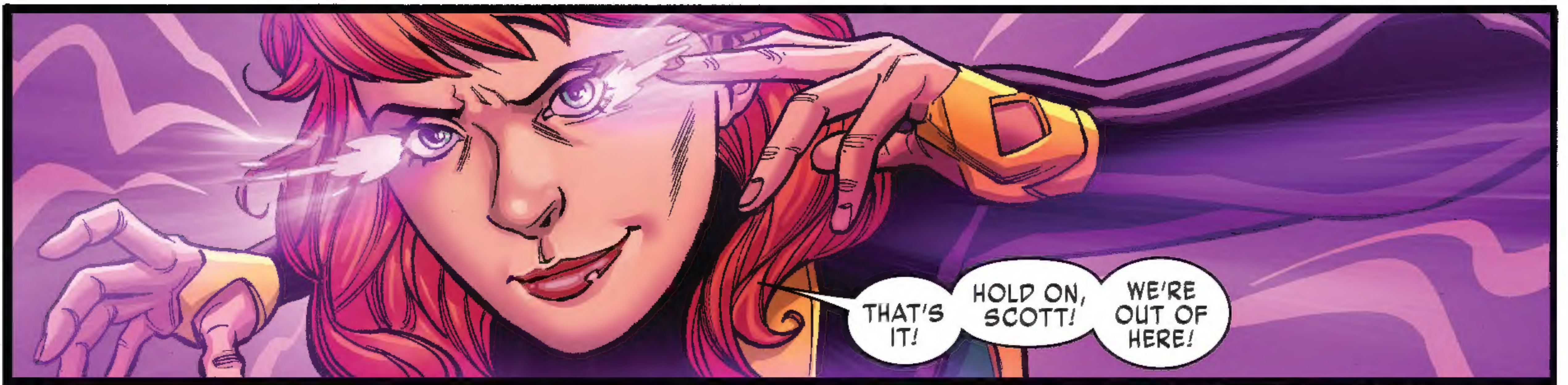
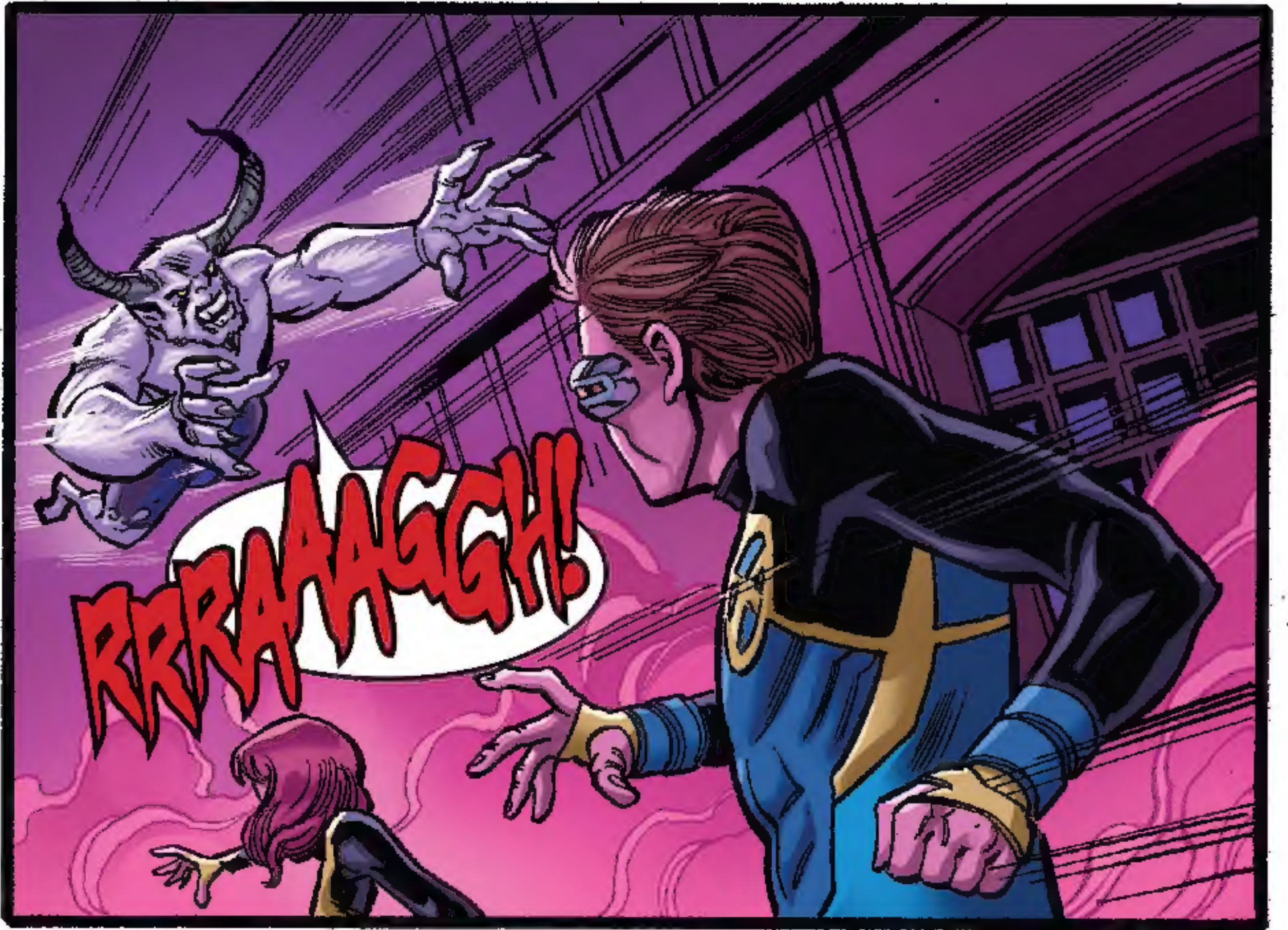














PICKLES.

THAT'S RIGHT.

HE'S BEEN HANGING OUT WITH ME.

I JUST GAVE HIM A PSYCHIC WHISTLE AND HE BAMFED US OUT OF THERE.

HE FORGIVES YOU FOR CHASING HIM OFF, BY THE WAY.

YEAH.

THAT'S GREAT.

SCOTT?

WHAT DO WE DO NOW?

BOBBY... MAGNETO... POLARIS... THEY'RE STILL AT THE MANSION.

AND HANK--

I'LL TRY TO FIND JIMMY AND WARREN.

BUT WITHOUT CERE BRO...

"...THEY MAY
BE WAY OUT
OF RANGE."

**IN A BUNKER DEEP
BENEATH ARROW RIDGE,
COLORADO.**

A COUPLE OF
DECADES AGO,
THIS WAS THE HOME
TO SOME SORT OF
DOOMSDAY CULT
THAT TOOK UP IN
THE AREA.

THE SHERIFF
AT THE TIME--
ALONG WITH THE
A.T.F.--RAN
THEM OFF.

I REMEMBER
HEARING ABOUT
THEM ON THE NEWS.
THE THINGS THAT
HAPPENED HERE--
JUST AWFUL.

AND YOU
THINK THIS IS
WHERE I CAME
FROM?

I THINK
THAT IF SOME
FREAKY MAD
SCIENTIST WANTED
A SECLUDED PLACE
TO PERFORM HER
EXPERIMENTS, THIS
BUNKER MIGHT LOOK
LIKE **PRIME** REAL
ESTATE.

YOU KNOW, KIRA. IT
MEANS A LOT THAT
YOU'RE HELPING US
LIKE THIS.

MAYBE
AFTERWARDS,
YOU AND I
COULD--

PLEASE,
CALL ME
SHERIFF.

EVEN
BETTER.

...OR
SOMEONE
KNOWS WE'RE
HERE.

AH, YES!
THE **PRODIGAL**
SON COMES
HOME!

LIGHTS
ARE ON.

EITHER
MOTION-
ACTIVATED...



MISS SINISTER--

I SUSPECTED YOU'D RETURN TO THE "SCENE OF THE CRIME" SOONER OR LATER.



I'M QUITE BUSY, AND I HAVE LITTLE TIME TO ENTERTAIN GUESTS THESE DAYS.

AND I HAVE EVEN LESS TIME TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.

I'M AFRAID THIS IS A PRE-RECORDED MESSAGE, TRIGGERED WHEN A PERSON OF YOUR GENETIC MAKEUP APPROACHED.

AND SINCE THERE ARE SO FEW IN THE WORLD WITH YOUR PARTICULAR GEONOMIC SIGNATURE, JIMMY, CONSIDER THIS RARIFIED AIR.



DO YOU KNOW WHAT MAKES THE MUTANTS OF YOUR WORLD SO SPECIAL, JIMMY?

IT REALLY IS QUITE FASCINATING.

IT TOOK ME SOME TIME TO FIGURE OUT THE PUZZLE, BUT WHEN I DID I WAS POSITIVELY GIDDY.



THE MUTANTS ON YOUR WORLD ARE MAN-MADE...

...THE RESULT OF PSEUDO-SCIENTIFIC TAMPERING THAT JUST MAKES A GIRL'S HEART ALL PITTERY-PATTERY.





"SCOTT, DO YOU WANT TO TELL ME WHAT'S WRONG?"

**MADRIDPOOR.
MEANWHILE...**

OUR FRIENDS
ARE BEING HELD
PRISONER BY
MAGICAL FREAKS.

WHAT ELSE
DO YOU NEED TO
KNOW, JEAN?

THAT'S
NOT WHAT
I'M TALKING
ABOUT.

YOU'VE
BARELY SAID A
WORD TO ME SINCE
WE TELEPORTED
AWAY FROM THE
MANSION.

HOW COME
I DIDN'T
KNOW ABOUT
PICKLES?

RIGHT NOW,
OUR BRAINS ARE
SO TANGLED UP, WE
KNOW WHAT EACH OTHER
IS THINKING PRETTY
MUCH ALL THE TIME.

BUT I DIDN'T
KNOW ABOUT
PICKLES UNTIL
AFTER HE 'PORTED
US TO SAFETY.

IT MAKES
ME WONDER
WHAT *ELSE* YOU'RE
HIDING FROM
ME.

SCOTT,
I'M NOT TRYING
TO HIDE *ANYTHING*
FROM YOU.

WE NEED
TO UNDERSTAND
HOW TO PARTITION
OUR THOUGHTS.

OTHERWISE,
WE'RE GOING TO
BE TWO PEOPLE
WITH ONE
BRAIN.

I GET
IT.

I JUST
THOUGHT YOU
MIGHT HAVE LET
ME IN ON WHAT
YOU WERE
DOING.

WHAT DID
WE TELL YOU ABOUT
JUST *DROPPING BY*
UNANNOUNCED?





WHATEVER
SCHEME YOU'RE
HATCHING,
MADELYNE...

...YOU HAVE
MADE A *GRAVE*
MISTAKE ATTACKING
US IN OUR HOME.

OH,
MAGNETO
PLEASE.

YOU KNOW
AS WELL AS I
THAT NEITHER ONE
OF US HAS A HOME...
AT LEAST, NOT A
REAL ONE.

AND DON'T
MAKE IT SOUND
LIKE I'M
UNWELCOME.



I'M AN
INVITED
GUEST.

MY CONNECTIONS
TO THE ARCAE HAVE
DIMINISHED SINCE I
ARRIVED ON THIS
WORLD.

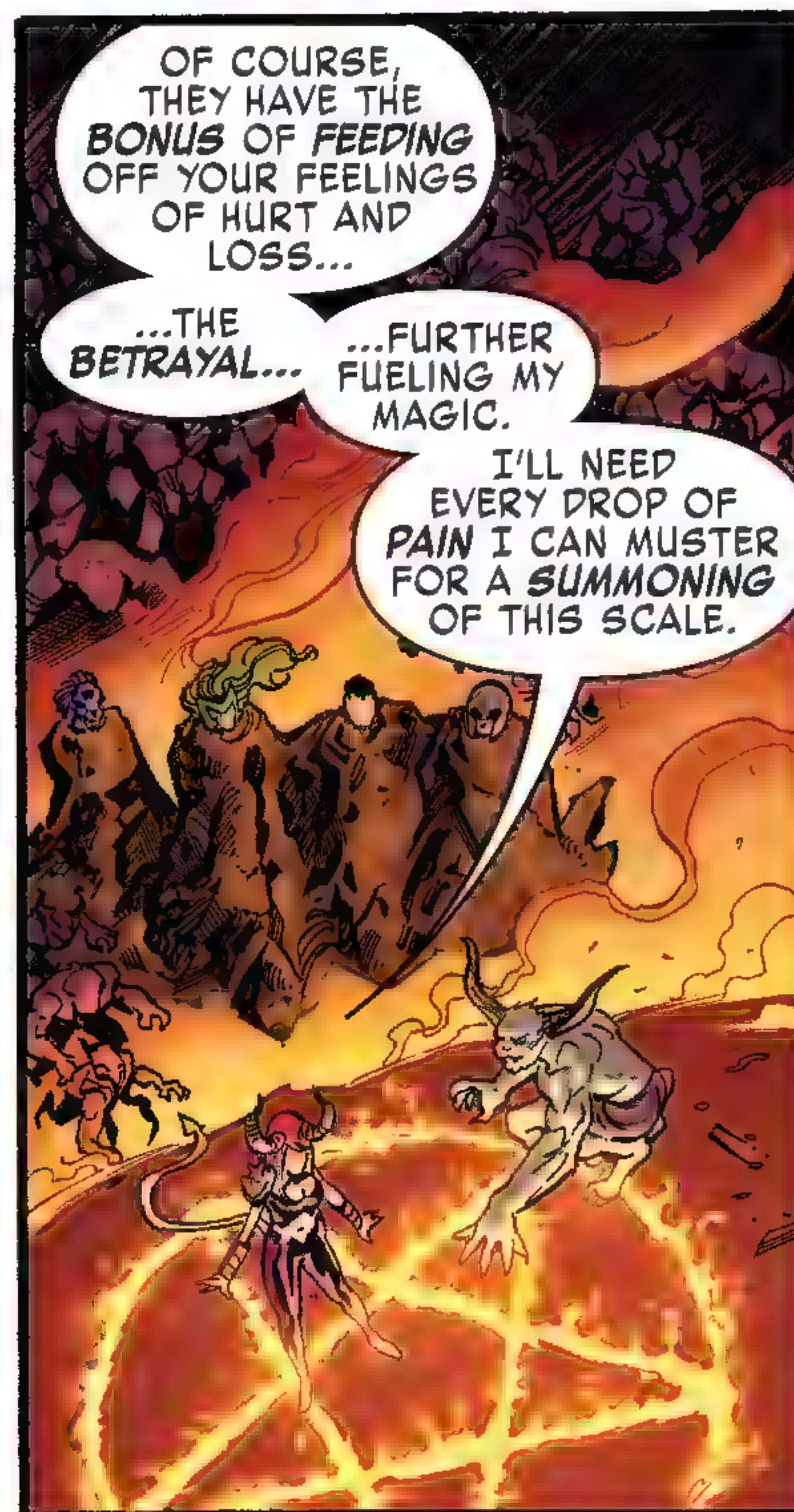
BUT YOUR
DEAR *BEAST* HAS
BEEN A PERFECT
CONDUIT FOR MY
SPELLCRAFT.



AND BEFORE YOU TRY
TO DROP A BUILDING
ON ME OR WHATEVER,
I SHOULD WARN
YOU.

THESE ARE
THE *VOLCANIC*
SPIRES OF
REXIGARTH.

IF YOU
TRY TO USE YOUR
POWERS, THEY'LL
FLOOD YOUR EVERY
PORE WITH
MAGMA.



OF COURSE,
THEY HAVE THE
BONUS OF *FEEDING*
OFF YOUR FEELINGS
OF HURT AND
LOSS...

...THE
BETRAYAL...

...FURTHER
FUELING MY
MAGIC.

I'LL NEED
EVERY DROP OF
PAIN I CAN MUSTER
FOR A *SUMMONING*
OF THIS SCALE.



WHAT
ARE YOU
UP TO, YOU
PSYCHOTIC
WITCH?

WHAT ARE YOU
SUMMONING?

I'LL TELL
YOU SINCE
YOU ASKED SO
SWEETLY,
POLARIS.



THROUGHOUT TIME AND SPACE, THE GOBLIN QUEEN HAS EXISTED ON MANY WORLDS AND ON MANY PLANES OF REALITY.

BUT IN ALL CASES, SHE FINDS HERSELF... ISOLATED.

SOMETIMES SHE IS THE CONQUEROR. SOMETIMES SHE IS THE SERPENT IN THE GARDEN.

BUT MY SISTERS NEED NOT BE ALONE. I NEED NOT BE ALONE.

WITH DEAR HENRY'S ASSISTANCE--I WILL CALL THEM ALL TO MY SIDE.

AND TOGETHER, WHO KNOWS WHAT TERRIBLE FEATS OF MAGIC WE WILL BE ABLE TO COMPOSE?

CALL IT A CURE FOR LONELINESS.



THAT...

...IS THE MOST PATHETIC THING I'VE EVER HEARD.

AND THAT'S COMING FROM A GUY WHO TRIED CALLING HIS BOYFRIEND 104 TIMES IN A ROW JUST YESTERDAY.



COME ON, HANK.

YOU CAN'T BE BUYING INTO THIS LET-ME-SUMMON-ALTERNATE-UNIVERSE-DEMON-CHICKS-SO-I-DON'T-CRY-INTO-MY-PILLOW-AT-NIGHT NONSENSE.

WHY ARE YOU HELPING HER?



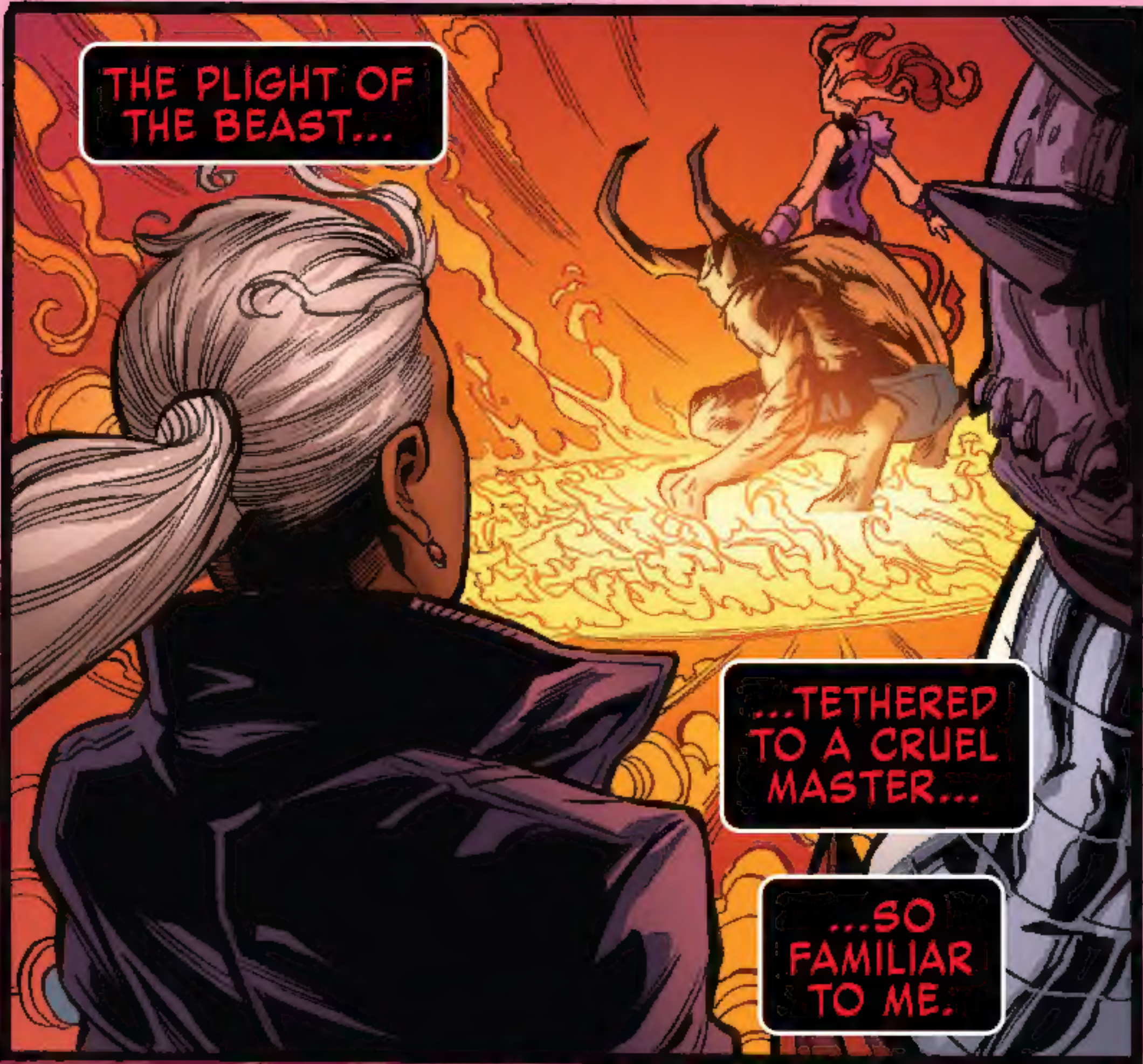
YOU MAKE IT SOUND AS IF HE HAS A CHOICE, ICEMAN.

MAYBE ONCE.

BUT THOSE DAYS ARE LONG GONE.



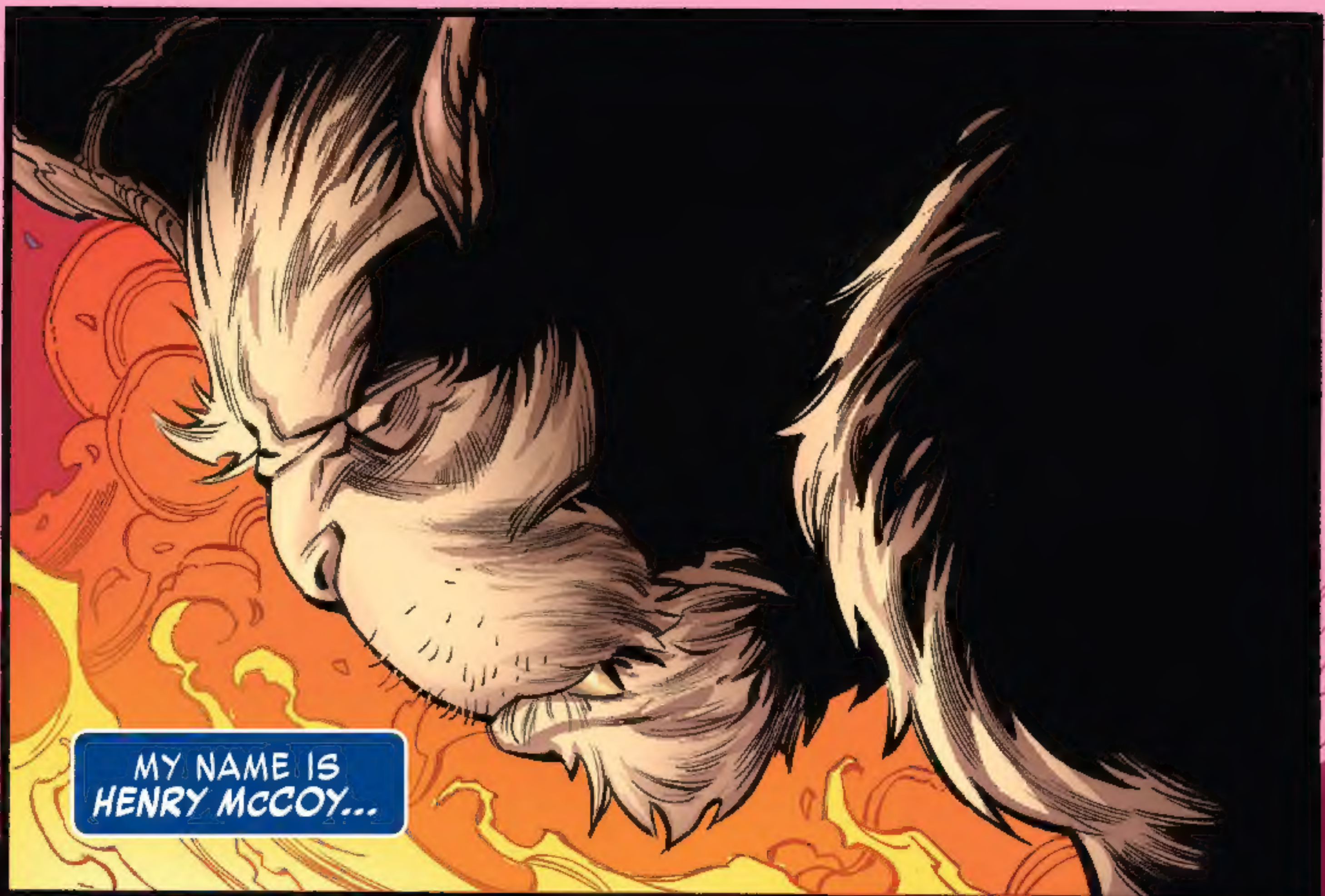
HENRY MCCOY IS MY CREATURE NOW.



THE PLIGHT OF
THE BEAST...

...TETHERED
TO A CRUEL
MASTER...

...SO
FAMILIAR
TO ME.



MY NAME IS
HENRY MCCOY...



...AND I'M
HERE BECAUSE
I BETRAYED
MY FRIENDS...

...ALL BECAUSE
MY PRIDE GOT THE
BETTER OF ME.



I CAN
SEE IT IN
HIS EYES.

HE IS
SCREAMING
INSIDE.

HE IS A
PRISONER
IN HIS OWN
BODY...

...JUST AS
I WAS.



AND THOUGH
IT WOULD MEAN
SACRIFICING THAT
WHICH I HOLD
MOST DEAR...

...I WILL
SET HIM
FREE.

TO BE CONTINUED!

HOUSE OF X

This HOUSE OF X I want to talk about some spectacular storylines going on in a few of our books.

If you haven't heard the big news, sorry to spoil, but in **ASTONISHING X-MEN** we've revealed that X-Men founder Charles Xavier is trapped in the astral plane by his archenemy, the Shadow King. Will he make it back to the land of the living? Issue #2 is on sale now and reveals more of the mind-blowing and dangerous mission some of your favorite X-Men have embarked on. And, hate to tell you, but one of them isn't going to make it back. Written by Charles Soule and drawn by master artist Mike Deodato Jr.

One of my favorite X-Men villains, Omega Red, returns to give the **X-MEN GOLD** team a megaton of trouble in a heartbreaking story of Rasputin family drama. A poignant but action-packed tale by Mark Guggenheim and Lan Medina. Over in **X-MEN BLUE**, Hank's dabbling with the dark arts will have major ramifications for him and his teammates, so don't miss the beginning of a three-parter that will bring out the beast in our young team and debut a new future member. The mystical mayhem is brought to you by Cullen Bunn, Giovanni Valtetta and Douglas Franchin.

And over in one of my favorite solo titles, **ICEMAN**, Bobby Drake reveals something he's kept from his family all his life while an epic battle with one of the X-Men's biggest baddies, Juggernaut, breaks out in the story of the year by Sina Grace and Alessandro Vitti.

We've run out of room but next House of X I'll give tidbits on more X-titles. And speaking of our winning lineup, here's a checklist of our awesome books:

X-MEN GOLD:

By Marc Guggenheim and Lan Medina. Kitty Pryde takes charge and leads a new team into a heroic age! Issue #12!

X-MEN BLUE:

By Cullen Bunn and Douglas Franchin. The time-displaced original five join their greatest enemy, Magneto. Evil mutants, you're toast! Issue #12!

WEAPON X:

By Greg Pak, Marc Borstel and Ibraim Roberson. The Weapon X program is back, but this time they are building weapons of mutant destruction. Old Man Logan, Sabretooth and a team of stealthy killers take the bloody battle back to them. Issue #9!

ALL-NEW WOLVERINE:

By Tom Taylor and Leonard Kirk. A virus from another world threatens to wipe out mankind. Kicking off an epic tale that will take Laura Kinney to the stars. Issue #24 on sale now!

GENERATION X:

By Christina Strain and Eric Koda. Jubilee and a band of mutant misfits in the new Xavier Institute. What could go wrong? EVERYTHING! Issue #6!

JEAN GREY:

By Dennis Hopeless and Paul Davidson. She's the leader of **X-MEN BLUE**, but what does she do in her spare time? What would you do if you had a premonition of the Phoenix Force returning? Issue #6 on sale now!

CABLE:

By James Robinson and Yildiray Cinar. A new villain is traveling through time to assemble a doomsday weapon. Cable's most dangerous mission ever! Issue #4 on sale now!

ICEMAN:

By Sina Grace and Robert Gil. The coolest hero on the planet, Bobby Drake the elder, in super-hero solo adventures. Issue #6!

OLD MAN LOGAN:

By Ed Brisson and Mike Deodato Jr. The Maestro! Old Man Logan! Deodato! 'Nuff said! Issue #29!

ASTONISHING X-MEN:

By Charles Soule and a murderers' row of chart-topping and up-and-coming artists. Fan-favorite characters battle one of the X-Men's most dangerous foes! Issue #4!

Make sure to let us know your thoughts. You can email us at officex@marvel.com (add "OKAY TO PRINT" in the subject line). And don't forget about #XMENMONDAY on Twitter, where I'll post some tidbit from one or more of the books and address your questions. I can't guarantee an answer for everybody, but I'll do my darndest!



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